

REMARKS

Claims 1-39 are pending in the present application. In the above amendments, claims 1, 14, and 27 have been amended, and claims 13, 26, and 39 have been canceled without prejudice.

In the Office Action mailed December 18, 2003, the Examiner rejected claims 1-39 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Schulist et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,542,558) over Wang et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,526,531).

Applicants respectfully respond to this Office Action.

Claims 1, 14 and 27 have been amended to include turbo decoding and dynamically stopping the decoding of the packet. These features are neither disclosed nor suggested in the cited references. Therefore, the pending claims are allowable over the cited references.

REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that all pending claims in the application are patentable. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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